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## TRI VILLAGE KIDS CLUB SUMMER FESTIVAL

By Nowell Berg



Even a brief intense rain shower could not dampen the spirits of kids, parents and grand-parents as they enjoyed the first annual Tri-Village Kids Club Summer Festival.

Originally scheduled for August, organizers were concerned about children's health due to thick wildfire smoke, the festival was delayed until September 22<sup>nd</sup>. On the first day of Fall, the Festival ran all afternoon at the Wasa Community grounds.

Kacey Day, a Board member on the Tri-Village Kids Club, said the Festival was all about, "Bringing the community together to provide something for kids, youth and families to do in Wasa."

The Festival included two bouncy castles, pumpkin patch, bird house painting, face painting, hula-hoops, a bike ride challenge course, a BC Parks display along

with an assortment of games and activities for all ages. Children and parents enjoyed a horse drawn wagon ride courtesy of Ft. Steele Heritage Town.

For Day, the Festival is all about "bringing the community together, getting kids involved and putting on more activities."

Over 300 children, parents and grand-parents participated in the festivities.

The 2019 Festival will be held on the July long-weekend.

If you want to get involved or learn more, email [trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.com). Check out the Kids Club Facebook page @ [trivillagekidsclub](https://www.facebook.com/trivillagekidsclub).

It's all about the little people.



### CANDIDATE FORUM FOR ELECTORAL DISTRICT E

Wasa Community Hall  
Monday,  
October 15, 2018  
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Meet the candidates  
for Electoral District E

- Nowell Berg
- Jack Walkley
- Jane Walter

VOTE

### THE TRI-VILLAGE BUZZ NEWSLETTER HAS BEEN RESCUED!!

Lori Vandette has stepped forward and has graciously agreed to give the position of Editor for the Tri-Village Buzz a shot. We have been working together and the transition in February 2019 should be a smooth one. Welcome and thank you Lori!!



Watch for details  
on Tri-Village Kids  
Club Halloween  
festivities

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# FOLLOWING THE TRAILS OF

# Yesterday

By Judy McPhee

## VIGNETTES OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY

**John Irvine (Scotty) of Ta Ta Creek,  
1900's to about 1930**

*"Is it possible to snowshoe to Revelstoke in a very short time???"*

When Scotty was in his prime, he was a tireless man on the trail and made many record trips on snowshoes. As recollected by William Cameron (Will Stuart) in his history book, this story by two different people in Ft. Steele many years ago was told.

One winter day, Scotty, an expert in snowshoeing, came into the Windsor Hotel and was asked this question by a prospector

"Another prospector had arrived in Ft. Steele with the story. He told us he had snowshoed to Ft. Steele from Revelstoke in what seemed like an unbelievable short time. Was this possible Scotty?" Scotty thought for awhile, and said "he did not know."

The next morning, Scotty could not be found anywhere in town. He had left before daylight. Where did he go and why? An inquisitive man, Scotty wanted to check and see if the man was telling the truth so he snowshoed to Revelstoke and back. Later, Scotty told the story that he had snowshoed to Revelstoke and back in less than double the time claimed by the other fellow. Scotty knew most of the trails around the Kootenays. He discovered the man was telling the truth. Yes, it was indeed possible!

### His Formative Years

Scotty was born around 1838-40 in Scotland. At a young age he signed up with the HBC, coming via Hudson's Straight to Hudson Bay and to the HBC trading posts. In his work for the company, he acquired a knowledge of hundreds of miles of trails throughout Canada. During the 1860's to 1880's he made many Post Inspections. Included were trips to the Kootenays collecting bales of fur. Eventually he left the HBC, ran a trap line in U.S.A. around the Black Hills for a few years and then came to Marysville and worked in the charcoal business. One of the markets for charcoal was the North Star Mine. He also worked for Col. Pollen before 1900 staking mine claims and helping with the Estella Mine which Col. Pollen had an interest in. He lived in Col. Pollen's family home in Cranbrook, caring for it when the family was away and when they came home. They became great friends.

**Scotty Lived In Ta Ta Creek**

From Scotland to a big log home at the foot of the hill, north of Ta Ta Creek, Scotty lived with a clear view of the Kootenay Railway Bridge and for about 15 years after. Scotty was noted for his hospitality and meals cooked for those passing by.

Many travellers stayed overnight, or called in to have a good meal and fellowship. Freighters constructing the bridge, teamsters, lumberjacks, riverdrivers, ranchers, travellers and prospectors--all were made welcome by Scotty. He served pancakes, hotcakes, bread, ham and eggs, bacon and very, very strong tea. One emergency time, he served 60 men. All ate till they were full. I wonder how he did it??

He was a well known and thought of man in Ta Ta Creek and beyond. He excelled in snowshoeing and hospitality. He was known all over for his substantial meals to all who dropped in at no charge to them.

### About 100 Years Later- Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> 2018

**Laurence G. Kay (Laurie) of Wasa, B.C.**

Laurie won seven medals at the B.C. Senior Games in his age group.

### 6 Gold Medals For Swimming and 1 Bronze Medal For Team Relay

What an extraordinary feat and accomplishment for Laurie in the B.C. Seniors Games. Congratulations, Laurie. Your talent is exceptional. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. You put Wasa on the map!

From Sydney, NSW, Australia, (Laurie was born in 1940) to Wasa Lake in 1971, Laurie has perfected his swimming skills over the years. I wonder if all those years that Sandy and Laurie taught swimming in Wasa Lake, the children (and parents) realized they were being taught by a man who should have entered the "Olympics".

Laurie, we all congratulate you on your phenomenal success. We are proud of you. Not many Seniors, if any, earn 6 Gold Medals and 1 Bronze in one class.

Laurie, a member of Lions has excelled in volunteer work for our community along with his wife, Sandy, since moving here in 1971. They, like Scotty are well known for their hospitality, concern and volunteer efforts for our community.

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**WASA LAKE LAND IMPROVEMENT  
DISTRICT (WLLID)**

By Nowell Berg

**Shoreline Clean-up**

WLLID Trustees and residents participated in the Great Canadian Shoreline Clean-up for the third year in a row. September 15th saw 10 residents collect 34 pounds of litter from the lake shoreline. The most numerous item collected was cigarette butts followed by pieces of plastic, paper and candy wrappers.



Participants noted that most shoreline properties were very clean, however, there were a number of docks that continue to deteriorate. These docks are made from styro-foam which, over-time, breaks apart and litters the beaches. During high water, these bits of styro-foam spread around the lake causing problems for water fowl and fish who may ingest the smaller pieces.

WLLID urges all lake front property owners to examine and repair any docks that may be spreading styro-foam along the shoreline.

**Wildfire Prevention and Suppression Meeting**

The Wasa Volunteer Fire Prevention and Suppression Committee (WVFPSC) is holding a public meeting on 6th October starting at 6:30 pm down at the Community Hall.

You will be able to see fire suppression equipment on display and learn more about the WVFPSC activities and plans. The Committee will be outlining the project goals, collecting resident contact information for a call out list in case of fire emergency and looking for more people to join the committee. Those interest in joining the Wasa fire fighting team should plan on being at the meeting.

Following the WVFPSC presentation, Alan Westhaver will deliver the FireSmart program that provides residents with the information to prepare their homes and properties to combat fire. Westhaver, a retired Parks Canada wildfire manager, has many years experience in helping home owners and communities prepare for wildfire. He wrote an important post-fire report on the 2016 Ft. McMurray fire.

**TURKEY &  
WILDRICE SOUP**

*Fanny's Favorites*

- |   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| ½ cup Butter  | 1 tsp kosher salt or sea salt |
| 2 stalks celery thinly sliced                           | ½ tsp black pepper            |
| 2 carrots, diced  | 2 cups cooked chopped turkey  |
| 1 medium onion, chopped                                 | 2 cups cooked wild rice       |
| 1/3 cup flour   | 1 cup heavy cream             |
| 1 ½ quarts turkey stock<br>or chicken broth ¼ cup flour | 1 tbsp chopped fresh parsley  |

In stock pot melt butter. Add celery, carrots and onion; cook stirring constantly over medium heat 5 minutes or until vegetables are crisp-tender. Stir in flour and cook constantly, 5 minutes. Add turkey stock and bring mixture to a boil. Add salt and pepper, reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes. Add turkey, cream, rice and parsley, cook until soup is thoroughly heated; do not boil. Makes 9 cups. 2 cups of white rice works well too.

NOTE: Never rush stock by boiling the liquid. A vigorous boil creates a cloudy stock. Do not add salt to stock. Simmer stock uncovered. Cool stock quickly to avoid the growth of bacteria.



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This month I would like to highlight and bring to your attention the following books for your fall reading pleasure.

**DON'T SHOOT FROM THE SADDLE**  
Chronicles of a Frontier Surgeon

by Dr. D. A. Holley

From his early cowboy days growing up in Lucky Lake, SK. to graduating from the U of A medical school in 1951. Dr. Holley (AI) relates his experiences as an intern in Northern B.C., New York and Montreal where he reported to the famous Dr. Wilder Penfield, famous neurosurgeon. Dr. Holley's many doctor stories, horseback excursions, hunting and fishing stories in the back country of Northern B.C., the Yukon and N.W.T. are indeed captivating. He settled in Quesnel, B.C. where he practised medicine for 27 years. A most interesting and fun book to read.

**ON THE WILD EDGE**

In Search of a Natural Life

by David Peterson

If you care about our lake, our landscape, our valley and flora and fauna and are interested in doing your part to protect our

area of B.C., this is the book to read and think about.

In this chaotic age of global development David stresses the importance of preserving our natural areas and living a more simple life. Each of us should be a steward of our area and our property.

RECOMMENDED READS AND AUTHOR'S

Authors people like:

Wilbur Smith, Ken Follett. Anita Shreve, Debbie McComber, Nora Roberts, John Grisham, Danielle Steele and many mystery books.

We have NEW BOOKS from the following favourite authors purchased by head Librarian, Marg:

James Patterson, David Baldacci, Jeffery Deaver, Nora Roberts, Sandra Brown, Michael Connelly and Wilber Smith

For the children in our area, we have a marvellous children section. For adults, lots of books by many authors on different topics to discover and that will appeal to your interests and expand your thoughts and knowledge. Do remember, we will coordinate a time which is convenient for you and a library volunteer to borrow books if you cannot come on Tuesday's.

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## TRI VILLAGE Kids Club



Another fun event is behind us. We would like to extend our biggest thanks to everyone that helped make our

**First Annual Summer Festival** a success!

Thank you to all the guests and patrons that came out to enjoy our event and support our club! Fun was had by all!!!

Thank you to our vendors and special guests:

- The Painted Frog
- Bobby the Clown
- The Candy Man
- Rotary Club of Cranbrook Sunrise
- WildSafeBC Kimberley-Cranbrook

- EK Parks- Provincial Parks in the East Kootenays
- Lantz Farms
- Fort Steele Heritage Town

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- Wasa Lions

Thank you to the following businesses for discounted equipment rentals & services:

- Bridge Interiors

- Cloud 9 Inflatable Rentals
- Sandor Rental Equipment Ltd

And of course a huge thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers that helped out through rain wind and sunshine to ensure that everyone enjoyed the day!

Looking forward we are in the works of planning something really fun for not only the kids of the Tri-Village Area but something that will bring out everyone to enjoy Halloween Day. Please keep an eye out for our posters letting you know what it is, where it is. We thank everyone for your continued support.

\*\*\*If you are interested in getting involved in our group we are always looking for additional members and volunteers to help us! The more the merrier! Please contact us via email at [trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.com](mailto:trivillagekidsclub@yahoo.com)\*\*\*



## Wasa County Breakfast

by Karen Markus

Another year of success for the Wasa Country Breakfast. We served breakfasts for 12 Saturdays serving a total of 3,557 breakfasts, up 175 from 2017. The groups that participated will be receiving a share of the profits.

The Committee thanks the Wasa Lions for the use of the Lions Kitchen; without their support this successful fundraiser for local community groups would not be possible. THANKS WASA LIONS.

The Committee will once again be purchasing a few items for the Lions Kitchen as a thank you for their support.

Thank you to the committee Val and Gerry Dmytriw, Bonnie Meena and Orlena Campbell for organizing and coordinating breakfast supplies and making sure all is in order for each group and breakfast. We would like to thank Hugh Campbell and Jim Hill for being on sign duty.

Thank you Warren from GFS for your deliveries right to the kitchen door. You made it that much easier for us on a busy day.

Thanks to all groups that participated in this fundraiser from our local community and to our locals and visitors to the community who came out for breakfast which made this Pancake Breakfast another successful fundraiser!

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Ta Ta Creek Golf Tournament

Submitted by Dona Bannenberg

Eighteen players signed up for the 6th annual Ta Ta Creek Golf Tournament at Coys Par 3 on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup> and three more people just for dinner.

After a warm and smoky summer, this day was rainy. But nobody complained and we had a lot of fun.

Two special guests from Australia came along with their friends and enjoyed the beautiful flowers, still full in bloom. As always dinner was very good.

Jim Hill took the "Bannenberg Trophy" home, with a birdie on hole 6 on his score card.



Participants of the TaTa Creek Golf Tournament



Left Joseph Bannenberg and Jim Hill

*Where do you take...*



## YOUR BUZZ ?



Jim Howard, Arden Rankins, Melinda Howard, Jack & Wendy Davis pose with the Buzz on the ferry to Seldovia, Alaska. Five of us shared a week filled with great friends, many laughs and some of the most beautiful scenery in the world!!

Email your photos with "The Buzz" and your name will go into a draw for the "2018 Where do you take Your Buzz" contest.  
email: [trivillagebuzz@gmail.com](mailto:trivillagebuzz@gmail.com)

## Wasa Lions Medical Equipment Loan Cupboard

Have you had a recent Injury?  
or Have plans for Surgery?  
The Lions may be able to assist with a 3-month loan of Medical Equipment.

For loan information or equipment donations to the Cupboard

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*Talent is what you are blessed with;  
skill is how you take care of the gift.*

## Jane Walter - Candidate – Area E Director



I have lived at St. Mary's Lake Road for 35 years. I have volunteered with many groups and worked with developmentally delayed individuals during that time. Some of my hobbies are gardening, reading, swimming and cooking.

I have been honored to have had the roll as Area E's Director for the Regional District of East Kootenay for the past seven years.

While being a Director I have tried to be accessible for anyone, who had concerns or questions. Some of the accomplishments that I have worked on as a Director are:

- Rural Kimberley Official Community Plan
- Wasa and Area Official Community Plan
- Cherry Creek Falls Park
- Funding for Wasa Outdoor Rink
- East Kootenay Regional District Agriculture Plan

I have also met and helped many associations and groups within Area E. Meadowbrook Community Association, St. Mary's Rural Residents Association, Wasa Lion's Club, Wasa Memorial Garden, Wasa Recreation Society and the WLLID. I have also tried to provide support for small community groups e.g. Tri Village Kids Club, Wasa Safe Boating Group and Wasa Volunteer Fire Suppression Group.

Projects that I am still working on for Residents in Area E are:

- Improved communications - cell and internet
- Aquifer study for Wasa area
- Continue working to get Kindergarten to grade 3 students taught at Wasa
- Continue to get a form of Senior Housing at Wasa
- Build the St. Marys Lake Regional Park
- Get a Water quality study done within the Meadowbrook area
- Continue to help associations, groups and individuals when they need assistance.

I have enjoyed meeting and working for the residents of Area E. I am hoping that I will be given a opportunity to continue to be the Director for Area E. Please Vote for Jane Walter

## Trails of Yesterday -Laurie Kay Continued from Page 2

Laurie spent many years teaching and influencing the children in the Wasa School.

Apropos to last months article about "Chicken Pete" I read this month an article by George James and discovered Pete lived and had his orchard and vegetable garden above the old Wasa Hotel where Gary, Garth, Danelle, Everett and Leaf Olafson and other residents of Wasa live.

Many stories of people and of our community of Wasa, Ta Ta Creek and Skookumchuck are told in the "Kootenay Ripples History Book". Perhaps you wish to buy one as a gift for grandchildren and prospective great grandchildren. There are ONLY 56 BOOKS LEFT and can be purchased from "The Historical Society" in support of our Columbarium and are sold by Pat Walkey at (250)-422-3530.

*"In Any Endeavor, Planning Is Essential"*

Next month I am writing about Pete and Nellie

Community	Date	Time	Venue
Nelson	Oct 9	6:30 – 7:30 p.m.	Chamber of Commerce
Nakusp	Oct 10	6:30 – 7:30 p.m.	Emergency Services Building
Revelstoke	Oct 11	4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Revelstoke Community Centre
Valemount	Oct 15	7:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Community Theatre, Valemount Secondary School
Golden	Oct 17	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Golden Civic Centre
Invermere	Oct 18	7:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Columbia Valley Centre
Cranbrook	Oct 22	5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Manual Training Centre
Sparwood	Oct 23	7:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Lounge, Sparwood Curling Rink
Castlegar	Oct 24	7:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Monashee Room, Castlegar Recreation Complex
Trail	Oct 25	7:00 – 8:00 p.m.	Muriel Griffiths Room, Selkirk College

The Trust is committed to enabling healthy lifestyles in the Basin. For example, its Recreation Infrastructure Grants program invested \$9.4 million in 153 projects that involved constructing new or upgrading existing recreation infrastructure. Learn about all the ways the Trust is addressing this strategic priority at [ourtrust.org/recreation](http://ourtrust.org/recreation).

Columbia Basin Trust supports the ideas and efforts of the people in the Columbia Basin. To learn more about the Trust's programs and initiatives, and how it helps deliver social, economic and environmental benefits to the Basin, visit [ourtrust](http://ourtrust.org).

## Columbia Basin trust NEWS RELEASE

### NEW PROGRAM HELPS KIDS AND YOUTH BE ACTIVE

Columbia Basin Trust launches \$3-million Basin PLAYS initiative

(Columbia Basin) – Healthy lifestyles for children and youth lead to healthy lifestyles for life. To help make this happen, Columbia Basin Trust is launching a new \$3-million, multi-year Basin Physical Literacy and Youth Sport (PLAYS) initiative—and is hosting a series of community meetings in October to share more information about it.

"Our aim is to help young people develop the motivation, physical competence and confidence to participate in healthy active living throughout their lives," said Johnny Strilaeff, Columbia Basin

Trust President and Chief Executive Officer. "The well-being of this region starts at the individual level, and Basin PLAYS will contribute to this in numerous, interconnected ways."

Basin PLAYS will work with community sports groups, schools, volunteer coaches and others to provide the resources and support they need to help kids be more active. The initiative will offer training and capital improvement grants, an online resource hub, build relationships with community sports organizations, and collaborate with school districts to support physical literacy and sports in schools.

Learn more about the opportunities available through this initiative at [ourtrust.org/plays](http://ourtrust.org/plays) or attend one of upcoming community meetings.



## Wasa and District Lions Club Serving Wasa and Area since 1976

By Laurie Kay

### Lions Pete Vereshagen Memorial Outdoor Rink Maintenance

There was a great community response for volunteers help to maintain the rink this winter. To date we have nine residents to head the maintenance for one week from

approximately December 15<sup>th</sup> to February 16<sup>th</sup> depending on the weather. Each operator will need to have 1 or 2 helpers so requests will be ongoing.

There will be a Zamboni Operation Session scheduled at Wasa with an experienced operator from Kimberley for all involved at an appropriate time. Prior to that session, all helpers should Google Zamboni Operation on line and check the many videos available.

Next step will be a meeting of operators and helpers to decide on a schedule. All those involved will be contacted.

The safety screen between the rink and the basketball court may be delayed but will hopefully be up before freeze up.

Thanks to Eric Sundgaard the snow blower has been repaired and is ready to challenge that white stuff.

### Membership

We have compiled a list of possible area residents who are presently being contacted and invited to join the Wasa Lions Club. To date we have 3 confirmed new members.

If you have not been contacted and are interested in SERVING the community and beyond please contact Laurie Kay, 250 422 3288, Sharon Prinz 250 422 3227 or any Wasa Lions member.

### 3 Cheers to The Tri Village Kids Club!

Six Lions helped at the 1st Annual Children's Festival Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> and how impressed we all were of the many excellent activities, detailed organization and enthusiasm shown by that keen, energetic group of T V K C mums and dads. The Lions Club congratulates all concerned. It is a group to be supported and encouraged by all to continue to offer wonderful activities for the children of our communities. Next festival will be even better.

### Lions Can and Bottle Recycle Programme

It jumped to over \$1500 last month. Drop off your cans etc. at the grounds and let's reach \$2000 by year's end. It's funds that are returned to the community as the Lions Mike Harabachuck Scholarship of \$1500 over 2 years.

### New Executive Installation

Past Zone Chairman Lion Harold Hazellar installed President Lion Stan Kneller, Vice President Lion Laurie Kay and Directors Lions Linda Gold, Lion Julie Kneller and Lion Gail Lamb at a simple ceremony at the September 18<sup>th</sup> dinner meeting. Thank you Lion Harold.

### Coming Events

Lions assist with security at Marysville Fall Fair Sept. 28th-29th

Lions Christmas Party Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup>

Wasa Winter fest ??



Chief Justice Laurie Kay congratulates Lion Clay Tippet being "Called to the Bar" for his huge effort in getting large, outstanding funds returned to the Lions Club. A skit at the last Dinner Meeting.



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By Area E Director Jane Walter

### Development Variance Permit

A development variance permit was applied for by Leslie Lee at 6577 Wasa Lake Drive to vary Area E Zoning and Floodplain Management Bylaw maximum permitted height of a single family dwelling from 9.0 m to 11.0 m. The owners are wishing to renovate an existing dwelling and maintain a usable crawl space while meeting the required flood construction elevation. The RDEK Board supported this application.

### Wasa Memorial Garden Tariff

The RDEK Board supported the application from the Wasa and District Historical Association and Memorial Garden Group to change their prices for the Columbarium.

### Bylaw Amendment Application

Terry Marvel located at 5974 Lazy Lake Rd applied to amend the Electoral Area E Zoning and Floodplain Management Bylaw designation from RR-60 Rural Resource Zone to RR-8 Rural Residential (Country) Zone to permit a two parcel subdivision. The proposed parcel areas are 8.0 ha and 16 ha. The RDEK Board approved this application.

Bylaw 2633 Wasa & Area Official Community Plan Environmentally Sensitive Development Permits was approved by the Board.

I know there are residents and property owners that were against this bylaw, but I chose to support it because I feel that these regulations need to be in place. I believe that the RDEK has added steps, so that in most cases property owners will only have to request that RDEK staff come and look at the property to determine whether the owner can proceed with their plans at no additional cost.

### Discretionary Grant - In - Aid - Approved Funding from January 1, 2018

Wild Voices for Kids Program 2018	\$ 500.00
Cranbrook & 4-H Council Association for the show and sale of livestock	\$ 1,000.00
Cranbrook Farmers Market Society 10 year celebration	\$ 300.00
Wasa & District Historical Association New Columbarium	\$ 5,000.00
Wasa & District Lion's Club Knellar & Olafson Benefit Dinner	\$ 750.00
Wasa & District Lion's Club Tri-Village Kids Club events	\$ 1,000.00
Wasa & District Lion's Club Utilities Relief	\$ 2,500.00
Wasa Lake Land Improvement Fire smart Community Education	\$ 2,000.00
Wasa Recreation Society Wasa Community Hall Insurance	\$ 3,000.00
Wings Over the Rockies Bird Festival Society	\$ 500.00

These grants have helped many groups for many years throughout the RDEK. I believe that the organizations and societies are our best asset in our area. They keep our communities alive by providing the hall, library, gym, outdoor recreation, outdoor kitchen and many other opportunities.

I was lucky enough to be able to help the Tri-Village Kids Club summer / fall event. It was a lot of fun to watch the kids and adults have fun. This group has been very busy this year and have provided many great opportunities for everyone in the community to come out and get together. I hope everyone has a good month. If you have any questions or comments please call me or email me.

Thank you  
Jane Walter, Area E Director  
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## Wasa's Golden Boy

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Wasa's swimming machine, Laurie Kay in 6 individual events, won 6 gold medals!!

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## Jack Walkley - Candidate – Area E Director



Jack Walkley is running for Director for Regional District of East Kootenay Area E on October 20th. He is a longtime resident in the East Kootenay. He was born, raised, and educated in the RDEK area, and has lived his entire life here, as did his parents and grandparents. Walkley has a long and diverse professional background having been a professional firefighter for 28 years with 14 of those years as Captain of Fire Prevention and Training Officer. Walkley also served as School Board Trustee for 19 years in School District 5, originally School District 2. His strong work ethics and community/business awareness started early in his life, at the age of 14, where he worked 27 years with his father and grandfather at Walkley's Meat Market. "It was a busy time for me, working 2 and 3 full-time jobs but I enjoyed it a lot and really wanted to make a difference to the people in the community," said Walkley. "My wife Ildi was a strong supporter of mine in taking on all of these roles and continues to be supportive in my desire to serve again. Over the years I have been involved in many local community enhancement projects and committee such as Idlewild Park, Wall of Honour with the Royal Canadian Legion, Coats for Kids, past Health Councils, Parks and Recreation, Muscular Dystrophy, Minor Ball and Hockey, as well the BC Kimberley/Cranbrook 2008 Winter Games," said Walkley. "Given the change in our economy, I don't think we can do things the same way just because that is how we have always done things. We need to make sure the taxes we pay in our Area E are used for Area E." Walkley also wants fair representation to all communities in Area E and limit bureaucracy and red tape because right now there is too much and we need to cut it down so things can move forward in a timely way. As in other communities we have an aging population we have to think about their needs and at the same time recognize that we also have our youth and their needs to address," Walkley stated. "I respectfully request your support at the polls on October 20th.



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submitted by - Sherry Shields

### 2018 REVISED Columbarium Niche & Plaque Costs

#### UNIT 1 Columbarium

Upper levels: \$1000.00 + engraving  
Bottom row: \$ 900.00 + engraving

#### UNIT 2 Columbarium (new)

Niche cost: \$1100.00 + engraving  
Niche Engraving: \$275.00  
Memorial Plaque: \$300.00

#### Contact info:

Pat Walkey @ 250 422-3530 or  
pwalkey@shaw.ca.

"Autumn at the Garden" a peaceful setting with the water wheel chugging along and the wind whispering through the pines.

For at-need or estate planning purposes, it is anticipated that niches in our 2nd columbarium will be reserved relatively quickly as was the case with our first Columbarium. For information or reservations, contact Pat Walkey at 250-422-3530 or pwalkey@shaw.ca

#### Reminder:

Our AGM is held in September and everyone is welcome to attend. Sorry I missed the reminder this year. We appreciate any comments and feedback.

*~They whom we love and lose are no longer  
where they were before. They are now...  
wherever we are. ~*



*To the summer garden  
keepers and all visitors  
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Your care and thoughtful  
touches add to the  
serenity of our garden.*

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As I grow older.....



The **WASA RECREATION SOCIETY'S** main objective is to generate funds to keep the Wasa Hall running. Wasa Recreation Society members meet in the basement of the Wasa Hall in the Quilters Room on the last Tuesday of each month. Everyone is invited to attend. Listed below are some of the user groups and contacts:

- Hall Rentals and Information  
Karen Markus 250.422.3514  
Bonnie Meena 250.422.3795
  - Gym Sonia Blackwell 250.422.9201  
Rod 250-422-3253
  - TOPS Susan 250.422.3510
  - Library Judy McPhee 250.422.3766
- In addition, BINGO's are held on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month** at the Wasa Hall. Early bird starts at 6:30 pm and regular at 6:45 pm.

## Nowell Berg - Candidate – Area E Director



I am announcing my candidacy for Area E Director in the up-coming RDEK elections. If you want effective representation, then you want to vote for me. I am committed to meeting with residents and community groups. People will be heard. I will listen.

A long-time Wasa resident, I live with my wife, Wanda, on family property owned since 1949. My parents, Burt and Vivian, always said "Wasa is our home." I have deep roots here spending summers, school holidays and long-weekends roaming through the forest and mountains. I enjoy snow skiing, hiking, biking, swimming and hauling firewood.

Along with an educational background in government and politics, my participation in the community includes over 3 years as a Trustee on the Board of the Wasa Lake Land Improvement District (WLLID). I volunteer to write the feature article each month for the Tri-Village Buzz as well as supporting fundraising activities like spaghetti dinners, Winter Fest and Kids Fest.

I am a candidate because:

- The Area E Director must represent all residents, even those with differing points of view, and work collaboratively toward fair solutions to area issues
- A Director must be accountable and transparent along with providing effective representation on the RDEK Board

I will work with residents, community groups and businesses to secure RDEK, CBT, Provincial and Federal funding for local projects and programs.

Particular issues of interest: rural fire prevention and suppression, waste management and transfer station maintenance, educational opportunities for rural students, effective RDEK Bylaw enforcement and enhanced RCMP patrols.

My professional business experience includes sales, marketing and corporate communications for companies in the Canadian energy, marketing and media sectors.

Campaign details on Facebook @nowellberg.

To learn more about the campaign, to donate or volunteer, please contact me: 250 422 3575; [rdekareae@gmail.com](mailto:rdekareae@gmail.com)

### Safety guidelines and things you need to know:

- Minimum of 2 people in the Gym at all times
- All users must sign in with date and time
- All users must sign a Wasa Recreation Programs User Waiver located at the sign- in desk
- All users are required to wear "gym shoes" - no street shoes permitted
- All users must use the safety key on the Walking Machines
- Cost is a loonie or twoonie
- Have fun and be safe!

*We're open to suggestions, give us a call if you know 2 or more people that would like to attend at a time not indicated.*



**GYM HOURS AND INFO**

**For Gym Schedule Please Contact:  
Sonia Blackwell at 250-422-9201 or  
Rod at 250-422-3253**

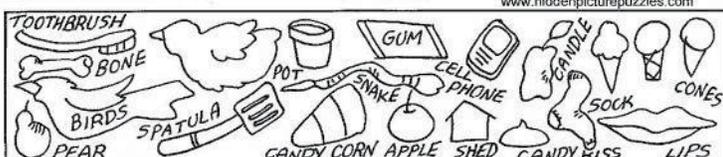
# SPOOKY HALLOWEEN WORD SEARCH

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## Halloween Word Scramble

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## HALLOWEEN Spot the 12 Differences



MARIO'S FUN PAGE



The Art of Stepping Back

How many times in your life have you been overwhelmed or frustrated by an undesirable and unexpected situation that totally burdened you? How many times have you found yourself under the influence of an event that you perceived as a very bad scenario and that put you in a state of catastrophic fear?

We do not like being unpleasantly surprised by life and this is why we constantly try to protect ourselves against the resurgence of past events that have left painful grooves in the mental disk of our memories.

If we don't pay attention when an unexpected challenging situation presents itself, then the weight of our past immediately exerts a powerful tsunami of emotions. It's not just the situation we have to deal with anymore, it's an intensified situation, because it's now mixed up with the emotional memories of all similar past events we have ever encountered, sometimes a long time ago.

When such an occurrence happens, we often have the impression of being possessed by it. The mind starts working on its own, concocting all kinds of awful outcomes while also imagining the many ways out. One may quickly feel exhausted, depressed, sad, frustrated or unfairly treated by life. Anger, fear, guilt, remorse, and the feeling of persecution are among the background feelings one is likely to experience. One can no longer find peace or think about anything else, as the situation is now a recurrent obsession, making the mind super active. There is then a powerful blast of all kinds of emotions which were hidden in your unconscious when everything was okay in your life. And your mind, now stronger than you, relentlessly remodels a train of thoughts, each more anxious than the other: What am I going to do now? How can that happen to me? My life is over now, I will never make it through! and so on...

Since you never know what kind of difficulty will strike, it's important not to let anything that can happen in life corner you. Remember that what is happening is only happening and that it has never happened before. Every big or small event in your life always happens for the first time as a brand-new event. It must be treated as such, not as something resembling what has happened to you in the past. At every second, everything is new and unpredictable. You never know what will happen in two seconds from now. So take distance and train yourself to recognize every event as a new event that needs to be treated with a perfectly adapted attitude.

No matter how life surprises you, learn to step back. First, tell yourself: "This is simply happening." Second, assert: "Since it has happened, I recognize it and accept it." In this way, you step back, creating distance between you and the event. This will prevent the potential tsunami of your past emotions from making the situation bigger than it is. Third, treat the situation in an impersonal manner, as if it concerned someone else. What advice would you give to someone else telling you about the exact same situation?

Always remember that nothing lasts forever, be it a prosperous situation or an adverse one. Everything passes, we get out of all difficult positions in life. Impermanence is your best friend. Ten years from now, all that is weighing on your shoulders at this moment will be gone. Breathe deep, step back, and stop making everything personal. What is happening cannot be denied, refused or opposed. It's here, it's now, it's a fact, don't refuse it, recognize it, and go on with it... from there, you will triumph. Step back so you don't lose a clear perception of yourself. Do not become the event; keep it as an object of your observation. The True you is not this body, not this personality, not this overwhelming automatic activity of your mind. You are the Supreme Self... the Divine Self adorned with a body, a personality and a very unique mind, but only for the brief moment of one lifetime. You are in the world as much as you are outside of the world as a Spiritual Being. Never think for a minute that life events can ever imprison you.

The art of stepping back in front of adverse situations allows you to keep a quiet mind... and when your mind is at peace, then you can use a higher level of intelligence, called "Buddhi", which is a superior, perfect and direct perception without any emotional alteration. Buddhi contrasts from "Manas" which means "ordinary emotional mind". From here, all positive and necessary solutions to problems present themselves in a very simple and obvious way.

May the Art of Stepping Back protect joy and peace within your inner atmosphere for the benefit of all those around you.

With Love and Warm regards on the Path of Life.

Sincerely yours

Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha

Adi Vajra Shambhasalem Ashram, Wasa, BC Canada

**Special Event:** Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha will be giving a free, unique and special public lecture on **"The Art of Stepping Back" on October 26th, 2018 from 6 pm until 7:30 pm, at the Ashram Dojo Temple.** Everyone is welcome, but please be on time. This will be a good opportunity to meet the Venerable Gurudev Hamsah Nandatha who is now less accessible since withdrawing to intensify His Spiritual Practices with His disciples at the Ashram. For more information, please contact the Ashram at [ashram@adivajra.ca](mailto:ashram@adivajra.ca) or (250) 422-9327.

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## Key Dates:

20 October 2018 - Election Day  
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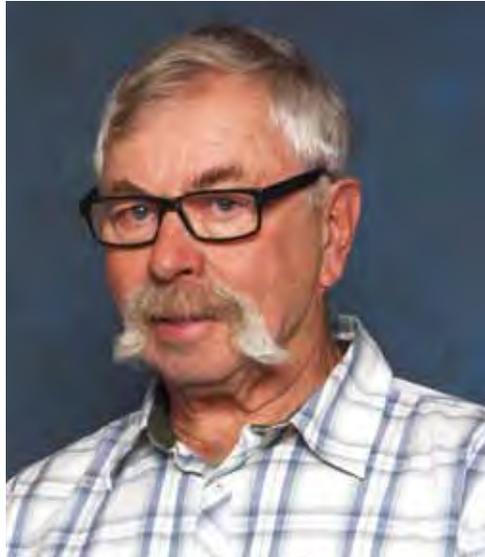
15 October - All Candidates Forum  
7pm @ Wasa Community Hall

3 October - All Candidates Forum  
7pm @ Elks Hall, Kimberley

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Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

**Elect  
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## JACK WALKLEY

- Has 19 years' experience in local government operations and 27 years in operating a small business.
- Served as a professional firefighter for 28 years.
- Is committed to fair representation to all communities in Area E.
- Is concerned of the needs of seniors and youth and will work towards supportive measures.

## WILL REPRESENT YOU TO...

- Taxes are used to fully benefit Area E.
- Promote sound ideas.
- Use common sense approach.

## WALKLEY IS ...

- FAIR
- OPEN MINDED
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- IS WILLING TO LISTEN YOUR CONCERNS

## Helpful Hints

By Sherry Shields  
In Memory of Vi Cockell



### 1. Preventing KEY LOCK JAMS

At the first sign of rough operation, simply squirt a few drops of light household oil on a key and work it back and forth and side to side in the lock slot. This will clean and lubricate the moving parts, and extend the life of the lock for many years. When you're done, be sure to wipe the oil off the key and lock.

### 2. Fall PLANTING

Bone meal or bulb booster make great fertilizers when planting your bulbs. If you love tulips and daffodils, give them a shot of either of these and your bulbs will thrive next Spring!

If you've had problems with deer eating your bulbs, try planting daffodils instead of tulips. You can have a great spring show, but the deer will leave them alone.

### 3. Glass SHOWER DOORS

Rubbing a teaspoon of lemon oil on glass shower doors twice a month causes water to bead up and roll off.

*"After all, "Anne had said to Marilla once, "I believe the nicest and sweetest days are not those on which anything very splendid or wonderful or exciting happens but just those that bring simple little pleasures following one another softly, like pearls slipping off a string."*

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## Wasa Community Church



### I Am Better Than Nobody.

“The Pharisee, standing by himself, prayed thus: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.’ But

the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’” This is a parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18:11-13. The Pharisee comes before God and basically says, “God, look how much better I am than this guy. Thanks!” He has this list identifying people by a specific sin they commit, and then he says to God, “But look what I do! Fast twice a week and give tithes from everything I get.” He labels people for their sins, yet gives himself a label from the good he’s done, as if he’s never sinned himself.

Nobody is perfect. We all mess up. We all make mistakes. We also all do bad things that are not accidental. We all sin, and that makes us all sinners. Even this Pharisee. If we think all the good things we do make us better than other people, or if we think that we’re better because our pasts might not be as tarnished as others’, then we have the wrong mindset. We’re all sinners. Even the only sinless person, Jesus Christ, who was God, didn’t act as if He was better than anyone.

Philippians 2:5-8 says, “Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.” Jesus, as God, could have stayed in heaven and scoffed at how much worse we were than Him, but even He, in His perfection, didn’t do that. Instead, He came to serve us, setting an example of how our attitudes should be toward others. Hearts of service, no matter people’s pasts. He then died for us, so that even as sinners, if we put our faith in His death and resurrection, we will be allowed into heaven, no matter our pasts.

The Pharisee talks like, “God, look how good I am.” The tax collector, not at all. “God, I know I’m a sinner. Have mercy.” Our mindset should be one of humility, just like that of the tax collector, and just like the mindset of Christ. Who are we that we can say and act like we’re better than others? Even Jesus, who actually was better than us, humbled Himself. We are better than nobody.

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# October 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Wasa Lions Meeting 7 p.m. Wasa Hall	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>FIRESMART PRESENTATION</b>
<b>7</b> Church 10:30 a.m.	<b>8</b> • New Moon 	<b>9</b> <b>BINGO</b> 6:30 Early Bird 6:45 Regular	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> Church 10:30 a.m.	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Wasa Lions Mtg 7 p.m. Wasa Hall	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VOTE
<b>21</b> Church 10:30 a.m.	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> ○ Full Moon 	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Lecture at the Ashram 6 PM (see page 12)	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> Church 10:30 a.m.	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Rec Society Mtg</b> 7 p.m.			

- LEGEND**
- Church 10:30 a.m.
  - Rec Society 7:00 p.m.
  - Quilters Tues. 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
  - Library Tues. 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
  - TOPS Fri 8:30 a.m. Weigh in & Mtg. 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.
  - BINGO 6:30 p.m.
  - Lions 7:00 p.m.

## Special Events and Days Down the Road

- Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
Daylight Savings ends
- Sunday, November 11, 2018  
Remembrance Day
- Saturday, December 1, 2018  
Lions Christmas Dinner & Dance



The Tri Village Buzz (and back issues to 2011) available at [www.wasalake.com](http://www.wasalake.com)  
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